PMT Scandal in BHU

†697. CHAUDHARY CHUNNILAL: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention have been drawn towards the news-item captioned, "B.H.U. prashasan kee Laparvahi se hui PMT. Dhandhali" appearing in the Hindustan dated 7th July, 2000; and

(b) if so, the details of the action taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE [DR. (SHRIMATI) RITA VERMA] (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) It has informed by the Ministry of Human Resource Development that the Banaras Hindu University has initiated Departmental action in the matter promptly and at present the matter is sub-judice before the Local Court and Hon'ble High Court at Allahabad.

Review of working of Blood Banks

698. SHRI VIJAY J. DARDA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have recently undertaken a comprehensive review of the working of Blood Banks in the country, in the wake of emerging threat from AIDS/HIV;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise, by standard norms;

(c) whether Government have set up a Committee to go into the working of Blood Banks in urban and rural in States and suggest appropriate changes in the system and administration of Blood Bank network at State and Apex level, to ensure adequate and quality blood, properly screened before transfusion; and

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(d) the changes recently effected/proposed during the current year and during the Ninth Five Year Plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE [DR. (SHRIMATI) RITA VERMA]: (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Health care system for rural areas

†699. SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH:
SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Bhorey Committee had made suggestions to Government for setting up health care system in rural areas of the country;

(b) if so, the details of the said suggestions, alongwith the scheme implemented by Government on the basis of these suggestions; and

(c) the names of States where the said scheme is in operation at present and the number of villages in each State where the same is in operation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE [DR. (SHRIMATI) RITA VERMA]: (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Bhorey Committee recognised the inter-sectoral efforts required to provide basic health services to the community. Besides suggesting a health system design for the future development of

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